25. The method according to Claim 1, wherein the cells are frozen at a temperature of less than -80 degrees C. in/bulk, and thawed prior to use. --

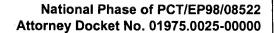
REMARKS

Claims 3-6 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer, claims 1 and 2 have been amended, and new claims 7-25 have been added to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention.

Support for these amendments and new claims can be found, among other places, in the specification and original claims as follows:

Pending Claim	Support
1	Orig. Claim 1
2	Orig. Claim 2
7	Orig. Claim 3
8	Orig. Claim 3
9	Orig. Claim 4; Page 2, Line 21
10	Page 5, Lines 12-14
11	Orig. Claim 5
12	Page 3, line 9; Page 5, Line 20
13	Page 5, Lines 20-23
14	Page 5, Line 22
15	Page 6, Lines 5-6
16	Page 5, Line 28
17	Page 3, Line 33
18	Page 5, Line 29

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Pending Claim	Support
19	Orig. Claim 6
20	Page 2, Line 35
21	Page 2, Line 36
22	Page 4, Lines 8-13
23	Page 5, Lines 5-6
24	Page 5, Lines 6-7
25	Page 5, Lines 8-9

Amendments to the specification were made to correct obvious typographical, spelling, and grammatical errors. Care has been taken so that no new matter has been introduced into the application.

Applicant respectfully requests examination and allowance of the amended claims. Applicant submits that the pending claims are in condition for allowance, and requests a prompt, favorable action on the merits.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary

Amendment, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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